



JACKSON ARCHAEOLOGICAL SOCIETY

March 2016

The Jackson Archaeological Society will meet **Tuesday, March 15th at 6:00 pm** at Gander Mountain – The Columns, 1523 Vann Drive, Jackson, Tennessee. The purpose of this Society is to learn more about past Native American cultures and the early historic period of Tennessee. Our meetings are scheduled for the third Tuesday of each month and are **Free** and open to the public. Our program this month:

Ms. Diane Lewis

who will present

Ancestral Pueblo around the Four Corners Area

Ms. Diane Lewis will share her excursions to Mesa Verde and other prehistoric Native American sites in the four corners area of the Southwest. Puebloan culture ranges from 100 AD -1300 AD. During the Basketmaker III period (500 AD – 750 AD), Pueblos built the monumental cliff dwellings, and domesticated the turkey. Descendants of the ancient Pueblo are the Hopi, Zuni, Acoma, and Laguna tribes. This will be an excellent opportunity to learn more about these ancient cultures, and may just inspire you to travel to the beautiful Southwest.

See you Tuesday, Mark



Mesa Verde National Park

<http://www.nps.gov/meve/index.htm>



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Tennessee Archaeology Network

<http://frank.mtsu.edu/~kesmith/TNARCH/>

Tennessee Archaeology – Online Journal

<http://frank.mtsu.edu/~kesmith/TNARCH/tennesseearchaeology.html>

Tennessee Division of Archaeology - Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/TNArchaeology>

Four Corners Area – Geotourism Map Guide – National Geographic

http://www.fourcornersgeotourism.com/about_partners.php

Archaeology of Reelfoot Lake Tour – March 26, 2016

<http://tnstateparks.com/parks/events/reelfoot-lake>

Kit Carson's Knap-In and Native Arts Festival - May 13-15, 2016

http://www.flintknappers.com/fliers/kit_carson_2016.pdf

State Museum - Ancient Native American Sculptures of Tennessee

http://www.tnmuseum.org/custpage.cfm/frm/0/sec_id/187664



The Archaeological Conservancy

<http://www.archaeologicalconservancy.org>



Museums in Tennessee

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_museum

Pinson Mounds State Archaeological Area - Equinox Sunrise – March 20, 2016

The Tennessee Division of Archaeology will conduct a sunrise program at Pinson Mounds State Archaeological Area on Sunday, March 20, 2016 at 6:58 am. This Mound Complex was constructed by Native Americans some 2,000 years ago during the Middle Woodland period. Some of the Mounds here appear to have been built to mark astronomical events. Pinson became the largest mound complex of the Woodland period in the Southeast. Led by archaeologist Mark Norton, this presentation will discuss what we have learned about the builders of Pinson and the importance of Archaeoastronomy at this and other significant prehistoric Native American sites.

The cost for this event is \$10 per person or \$20 per family. This event is limited to 40 participants on a first-come -first-serve basis. Please call Pinson Mounds State Archaeological Area office at 731-988-5614 for reservations and payment, or drop by the Park office at 460 Ozier road.

Participants should plan to arrive at the Pinson Museum parking lot between 6:00 and 6:30 to allow time to walk to and climb the stairs to the platform atop Sauls Mound.

<http://tnstateparks.com/parks/about/pinson-mounds> **Tennessee State Parks - Events** - <http://www.tnstateparks.com/events>